Construction Funding Determinations

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Introduction

Construction Funding Determinations are provided to ensure consistent financial treatment for all construction activities in accordance with Department of Energy (DOE) Orders and DOE and Laboratory policies. The determination includes type of funding required and capitalization of projects.

Policy

A funding determination request shall be submitted for all construction activities, once the project scope has been defined, in accordance with the procedures in this section.

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Funding determination flowchart

A flowchart illustrating the funding determination process is located at http://bus.lanl.gov/bus3/fmh/flowchart.pdf

Funding determination process The table below describes the funding determination process and identifies who is responsible for completing the steps in each phase.

Phase	Who Does It		Action	
1	Project/FMU	Request a funding determination as soon as the		
		project scope has been defined by completing a		
		Funding Determination form (FDF). Follow the		
		steps outlined in the table below to obtain,		
		complete, and submit an FDF.		
		Step	Action	
		1	Review funding guidelines for	
			construction and capital equipment	
			online at	
			http://bus.lanl.gov/bus3/fmh/ch7s4c&c.p	
			<u>df</u>	
		2	Obtain an FDF online at	
			http://bus.lanl.gov/bus3/fmh/fdform.xls	
		3	Complete FDF. See "Funding	
			Determination Form" in this section.	
		4	Send FDF to Funding Determination	
			Committee at e-mail address	
			funding@lanl.gov.	

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Funding Determination Process (continued)

Phase	Who does it		Action
2	Funding		Project/FMU of funding determination. Is
	Determination	request for funding accepted?	
	Committee		
			yes, follow the steps outlined in the table
		 • If no, return FDF to Project/FMU for additional information or clarification and/or 	
		sch	edule a meeting with Project/FMU for
		clarification.	
		Step	Action
		1	Document funding determination.
		2	Complete FDF. See "Funding
			Determination Form" in this section.
		3	Make two copies of the approved FDF
			and distribute as follows:
			Original: Requester
			Copy: Funding Determination
			Committee
			Copy: Indirect Budget Group
			Committee

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Changes in project scope

The Project/FMU is responsible for notifying the Funding Determination Committee of project scope changes in a timely manner, including changes in scope of work and cost. The table below outlines the procedure for proposing a change to the project scope.

Phase	Who does it	Process
1	Project/FMU	Notify the Funding Determination
		Committee of changes in the project scope
		and send a description of the project scope
		change to the Funding Determination
		Committee at the following email address
		"funding@lanl.gov."
2	Funding Determination	Review project scope changes to determine
	Committee	whether original funding determination is
		still valid. Is funding still valid?
		If yes, notify Project/FMU of the
		funding determination.
		• If no, notify the Project/FMU that the
		original funding determination may
		have changed and schedule a meeting
		for additional clarification. Based on
		clarification received at the meeting,
		document funding determination.

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Funding Determination Form The Project/FMU completes the FDF and sends it to the Funding Determination Committee at e-mail address "funding@lanl.gov." The table below identifies each field on the FDF and describes the type of information required in each field.

Who does it	In this field	Enter this information
Project/FMU	Determination #	The control number assigned to facilitate tracking
		of the FDF.
	Date	The date the FDF is completed.
	Requester Name	The requester's first and last name.
	Requester Z #	The requester's six-digit Z-number.
	Mail Stop	The requester's mail stop.
	Phone Number	The requester's phone number.
	Project Title	The title of the project.
	Project ID #	The project ID# if assigned.
		Note: If not assigned, the ID# will be entered by
		the Funding Determination Committee.
	Work Order #	Work Order # is assigned.
		Note: If not assigned, the work order #(s) will be
		entered by the Funding Determination Committee.
	Type of Work	Circle one of the following choices:
		• New construction to a facility or unit that does
		not currently exist, or
		Renovation to an existing facility or unit.
	Project Manager	The first and last name of the project manager for
		this construction activity.
	FMU	The FMU(s) involved in this construction activity.

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Who does it	In this field	Enter this information
Project/FMU	Program	The program under which the construction activity is
		being performed, i.e., NMSM-NCR.
	Total Estimated	The total estimated cost (TEC) for the construction
	Cost	project.
		Note: TEC refers to costs that are capitalized
		including Title I Design, Title II Design, Title III
		Design, Construction, Construction Management,
		and Project Management. For a description of TEC
		and its components, see "Formal Budgeting
		Overview and Definitions, Construction and Capital Equipment" at
		http://bus.lanl.gov/bus3/fmh/ch7over.pdf
	Title I	TEC for Title I.
		Note: Title I is the preliminary stage of project
		design (for Line Item Projects only).
	Title II	TEC for Title II.
		Note: Title II is the definitive stage of project design
		(for Line Item and General Plant Projects).
	Title III	TEC for Title III.
		Note: Title III is the inspection portion of project
		engineering, design, and inspection including facility
		acceptance.
	Construction	TEC for Construction.
		Note: Construction includes all costs for
		construction equipment, material labor, and
		overhead.
	Other Costs	Other costs to be capitalized including Project
		Management and Construction Management.

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Who does it	In this field	Enter this information
Project/FMU	Description of Work Cost Categories	 Background/Justification – the reason(s) for performing the construction Work to be performed - A description of the work to be performed A list of activities to be performed within each of the following categories: A. Title I B. Title II C. Title III D. Construction E. Other
Funding	Analysis	Note: For a description of activities to include in each category, see "Formal Budgeting Overview and Definitions, Construction and Capital Equipment" at http://bus.lanl.gov/bus3/fmh/ch7over.pdf A description of the funding determination and a
Determination Committee		justification for that funding determination.
	Funding Determination	The type of funding to be used for each Cost Category.
	Approval	The signature of a member of the Funding Determination Committee.
	Date	The date the FDF is approved.